

ORDINANCE NO. 00-390

**AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS PROHIBITING
ADDITIONAL PERSONAL SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS IN PORTIONS OF THE
CRS DISTRICT PENDING REVIEW AND STUDIES AND DECLARING THE
URGENCY THEREOF**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS
FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS: The City Council of the City of Los Altos hereby finds:

- A. The City Council has directed the staff and Planning Commission of the City of Los Altos to study the effects of existing zoning regulations which allow personal service uses to replace existing retail businesses that front on Main Street or State Streets in the CRS Zoning District in the City of Los Altos;
- B. That the City's General Plan promotes increasing the attractiveness of Downtown to shoppers and pedestrians, and provides that the City shall seek businesses in the Downtown area with potential to attract shoppers, directly enhances sales tax revenue and property tax revenues to the City and be consistent with the small "village" atmosphere;
- C. That the replacement of existing retail business spaces that front on Main Street or State Street by personal service uses in the CRS Zoning District could adversely impact the value and results of said studies and may render the results and possible implementation thereof less useful and effective, and constitutes an immediate threat to the public health, safety, and welfare; and
- D. That in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, and assure the maximum utility of the foregoing studies, and the results and possible implementation thereof, it is necessary to prevent personal service uses from replacing existing retail business spaces that front on Main Street or State Street in the CRS Zoning District during the period of said revision, studies, and possible implementation thereof, and accordingly this ordinance is adopted as an urgency measure.

SECTION 2. From and after the effective date hereof, and for 45 days thereafter, no application shall be accepted by the City of Los Altos for an occupancy permit, a building permit, zoning use consistency, architectural and site review, or any other type of permit approval, where issuance thereof would result in a personal service use replacing an existing retail business space that fronts on Main Street or State Street in the CRS Zoning District.

SECTION 3. Application of that portion of Section 14.48.030 of Chapter 14.48 of the Los Altos Municipal Code that allows personal services as permitted uses in the CRS Zoning District shall be suspended in the manner set forth herein for the term of this ordinance.

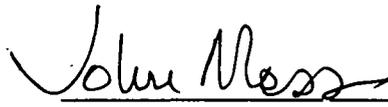
SECTION 4. A summary of this ordinance shall be published in the Los Altos Town Crier, as provided for Government Code Section 36933.

This ordinance was duly and regularly introduced as provided in the California Constitution and Section 65858 of the Government Code, on October 24, 2000 at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Los Altos and was passed, adopted, and enacted thereat as an urgency ordinance, to be effective immediately by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Moss, Councilmembers Becker, LaPoll and Lear

NOES: Councilmember Casto

ABSENT: None



John Moss, Mayor

Attest:



Carol Scharz, City Clerk